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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Maintaining competition in telecommunications is critical to prevent the big companies - who can't even keep their own financial house in order - from monopolizing this critical infrastructure.

I'm lucky in my area - Silicon Valley, CA - to have several choices for my internet and telephone service, but I purposely didn't choose one of the "Big Guys" because I wanted and provider who offers better customer service and fights for my online privacy.

As our country moves forward to even greater internet use, it's critical that we permit ALL providers equal access to the new Broadband infrastructure. This is especially true in smaller communities where the choice of providers - and thus the pricing structure - is limited.

It's critical that you say "NO" to these request by the industry giants as we move forward to catching up with other nations who already outpace us in internet speed and coverage.

And it's equally important that you also support continued internet neutrality on both the current and future networks.

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